Privatization of Collections

What does this program do?

Funds private collection for child support cases with arrears which involve a child who received benefits through the Temporary Assistance program.

What is its statutory base?

State: RSMo 454

Is this a federally mandated program?

Yes.

What is the funding?

State Fiscal Year	General Revenue	Federal	Other	Total
2001	\$0	\$1.0 mil	\$0.5 mil	\$1.5 mil
2002	\$0	\$1.0 mil	\$0.5 mil	\$1.5 mil
2003	\$0	\$1.0 mil	\$0.5 mil	\$1.5 mil
2004	\$0	\$1.0 mil	\$0.5 mil	\$1.5 mil

What are the sources of the non-general revenue funds?

Title IV-D, Child Support Enforcement Collection Fund

Who is eligible?

Any child support case where arrears is due to the state for child who is a Temporary Assistance recipient.

How many cases have been referred?

SFY-2001	SFY-2002	SFY-2003
14,800	13,200	11,650

How much has been collected through program privatization?

SFY-2001	SFY-2002	SFY-2003
\$4.9 mil	\$6.2 mil	\$5.5 mil

How many cases in arrears are paid through private collection?

SFY-2001	SFY-2002	SFY-2003
2,399	2,943	2,236

What is the average administrative cost per case with collections recovered by private collection*?

SFY-2001	SFY-2002	SFY-2003
\$195.24	\$169.89	\$255.21

^{*}Based on the contractor's fee divided by the number of paying cases